

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION No. 2006 – 0048**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A STATE REVOLVING FUND (SRF) LOAN TO THE
CONSERVATION FUND (CF) FOR THE BIG RIVER/SALMON CREEK CONSERVATION
FORESTRY ACQUISITION (PROJECT), SRF LOAN NO.: C-06-6090-110

WHEREAS:

1. The CF submitted an application for a SRF loan for \$25 million for the project;
2. The CF expects to obtain the balance of funds necessary to purchase the properties from grants;
3. The Project is consistent with the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) Antidegradation Policy and will help protect and enhance beneficial uses for waterbodies in the North Coast region;
4. The Project is consistent with the State Water Board's "Plan for California's Nonpoint Source (NPS) Pollution Control Program," and is therefore eligible for SRF funding under Section 319 of the federal Clean Water Act;
5. The Dedicated Source of Repayment for the Project is the revenue derived from the timber harvest consistent with the implementation of the silviculture management measures identified in the NPS Implementation Plan; and
6. It has been determined that the project qualifies for a Class 13 and Class 25 Categorical Exemption from California Environmental Quality Act requirements and will not result in any significant adverse water quality impacts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes a SRF Loan in the amount of \$25,000,000 to the CF for the Big River/Salmon Creek Conservation Forestry Acquisition Project with the conditions that (1) the repayment starts one year after the first disbursement, (2) the loan contract will only be executed if all the remaining funds to purchase the properties are committed to the project, and (3) no other loans using the property or revenue from the properties as collateral are used to purchase the properties.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 19, 2006.

AYE: Tam M. Doduc
 Gerald D. Secundy
 Arthur G. Baggett, Jr.
 Charles R. Hoppin
 Gary Wolff, P.E., Ph.D.

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Clerk to the Board